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## DAMAGE DONE WHEN RIVERS FLOOD

Confidence Bears the Brunt  
of the Flood During  
the Night.

## THREE BRIDGES CARRIED OUT

Two More Have Been Wrecked and  
Another Is Said to Have Been Taken  
Down Stream—West, Newton  
Inundated and Train Service Crippled

The worst flood since 1907 is sweeping the Youghiogheny river valley. Between Connellsville and Pittsburgh the situation is serious, but it is believed the worst danger is past. West Newton is inundated and other towns along the river are in danger of great damage from the flood. Ice and debris which have formed below this point are causing the river to back up and this is largely responsible for the conditions at Scotts Run, West Newton and nearby towns. The river was almost solid with ice between Dawson and Scotts Run, although some of it had gone out during recent rains.

The hard rain last night caused the river to rise rapidly. Within a single hour it rose up five feet at this point and the rapid rush of waters swept ice and debris down the stream. The river is no longer rising, and it is thought that the greatest danger is past. At McKeesport and Pittsburgh there is great danger in event the big ice gorges go out with a rush.

West Newton is inundated today. The river began rising during the night and by this morning the water was almost on a level with the second floor and the telephone operators at the Bell exchange were held virtual prisoners on the third floor. Several shifts were brought into service to take to safety those who had been marooned. The water was three feet deep along Main street and three or four inches deep in the Baltimore & Ohio station. The agent who has assistants were forced to use boats when they abandoned the depot. At Smithton, somewhat higher than West Newton, the water has inundated the town but the least rise promises to send it beyond its banks. There is also high water at Dawson.

The Pittsburgh division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was put out of commission about a week ago. Passenger and freight trains were abandoned. Train No. 48 reached Graetzburg, Pa. was ordered back to Pittsburgh. The Duquesne Limited went almost to West Newton and then returned to Connellsville. Passenger traffic is being detained over the Pennsylvania railroad by way of Grant and Dawson. Trains No. 48, 6, 11 and 3 went over the Pennsylvania tracks and arrangements were being made to send No. 47 west by the same route. Unless the river recedes it may be necessary to bring No. 14 from Pittsburgh by the same route.

The Connellsville division has escaped so far. The rains caused no land slides of a serious nature and the tracks are too far above the river to be affected. At the offices of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Pittsburgh it was reported that the tracks are under five feet of water between Graetzburg and Reduction. The Pittsburgh & Lake Erie is tied up by water over its rails between Boston and West Newton.

It was stated at noon that the ice gorge which has caused most of the trouble is moving out and it is expected that within the next few hours it will be possible to resume railway traffic.

The mountain towns felt the effects of the flood. The Casselman and the Youghiogheny rivers with that rapidity that has made them feared in this section swept a torrent of water down from the hills carrying ice and debris with it. Confidence bore the brunt of the flood. The river rose above its banks and flooded the cellars of nearly all the houses in the town. Three bridges have gone and two others were reported shaky. The first bridge to go was the Huston bridge a short distance below the town. It was weak and could not stand even the light rain. It was owned by the Ohio City Company. The Horton bridge at Horton crossing both the Yough and the Casselman rivers about one-half a mile above Confidence stood the brunt of the attack until shortly after 6 o'clock last evening.

The Western Maryland bridge at Ann Run near Cumberland went late last night. It is a small bridge and was recently built. The Confidence & Oakland at Confidence a substantial built structure is weakening and is expected to go unless the water recedes quickly. The county road bridge at that place is also reported to be weak.

On the C & O branch up from Confidence the ice gorges have spread over the tracks. A gorge 50 feet thick is said to be holding up the train. The Baltimore & Ohio is making desperate attempts to remove the ice but it is meeting with little success. The ice is not being soled. At Confidence & Oakland train due in Confidence at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon arrived after midnight. This is the only train that has been in Confidence on this branch for 24 hours.

Fear that the flood may become worse is prevalent at Confidence. Three rivers meet at this place. The Ohio, the Casselman and Laurel Hill creek. If the river does not recede the town will be imperiled.

No trains ran on the Ind in Creek Valley railroad this morning. The train due to leave Jones Mills at this morning has not been heard from. President Hood and other officials of the road have been endeavoring to reach there without success.

It is reported that the ice gorges in the stream have spread over the railroad tracks and that the train has

been held up in the vicinity of this bridge. Although the report could not be confirmed it is said that this bridge was destroyed by the ice gorge. No estimate of damage done by the flood in the valley could be obtained. The bridge was built by the Baltimore & Ohio and is one of the largest in the valley. It is about 1,000 feet long and is built on a trestle. The bridge was built in 1880 and has been in good condition until recently.

The ice continued to come down the river until 1 o'clock this morning. At noon the river was receding. The ice after backed up in the waters at the Baltimore & Ohio station last night and caused trouble with the boilers. All the yards and cellars of homes on first street West Side were flooded.

Ant's creek has overflowed its banks in the township. It is reported that the West Penn owing to the fact that ice had backed up in the intake at its power house had its boiler service interrupted at about 10 o'clock this morning. The trouble was reported in about an hour. All the cars in running behind schedule this morning.

Said down creek has gone on the rampage. The stream has overflowed its banks and has flooded several cellars in that section of the town.

## DR. T. H. WHITE RETURNS FROM BANQUET TO HIBBEN

Miss Big Main in New York  
Friday for Princeton's New  
President

Dr. T. H. White returned Monday from New York where he had been attending the banquet of the Princeton University. Dr. White is a member of the class of '07. He was present at the banquet of the Princeton University. Dr. White is a member of the class of '07. He was present at the banquet of the Princeton University.

## BUSY BUILDING SEASON LOOKED FOR BY COMPANY

South Connellsville Lumber Company  
Expects Orders for the  
Lumber

The South Connellsville Lumber Company's stockholders met Monday afternoon and elected officers and directors for the coming year. The past season has been the most prosperous the company has ever enjoyed and it is looking forward to a busy year in 1912. The company has been kept busy all winter and the off season trade was more than encouraging.

The officers and directors elected were: President, J. C. Henry; Secretary and General Manager, V. H. Solson; Treasurer and John Trembley are directors.

## OLD BELD RECORDED

Document Transferring Uniontown  
Property to the Court House

Considerable attention was attracted in the office of George C. Steele in the court house Tuesday by the recording of a deed dated April 18, 1824. A quit claim deed of the same date was also recorded. The deed transfers a house which is now occupied by J. S. Douglas. The deed is a copy of the original and is a copy of the original and is a copy of the original.

Susie Kraydok Blamed  
Susie Kraydok, 21 years old, has been arrested on the charge of murdering her infant child. The body was found near the Fencible road Wednesday. The girl blames a married man for her crime but says she does not remember strangling the baby.

Wants Child Admitted  
Atorney John J. Dugan, Jr. was in session Thursday seeking through the Department of Commerce and Labor to have a Division of Child Labor to this country. The child on its way to join its parents in Uniontown was detained at Baltimore.

Want to Be Delegate  
J. J. Short, 34 years old, yesterday filed a petition with the county commissioners of Fayette, Somerset and Greene counties that place his name on the ballot for Representative delegate to the national convention to be held in Chicago in June.

Louis M. Dawson Dead  
Louis M. Dawson, 52 years old, died Tuesday night at his home in Uniontown of old age. He is survived by a wife who is very ill at the present time and one daughter, Mrs. E. L. Strickler of Uniontown.

## FIND MAE HALLEY DIED FROM SHOCK

Coroner's Jury Explodes  
Theory That Girl Took  
Paris Green.

## SERIOUS SITUATION FOR KELLAR

It is Recommended That He Be Held  
For the Grand Jury for Injury Which  
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Death—Much Evidence Taken

Special to The Courier  
At the coroner's inquest today the coroner's jury found that Mae Halley died 16 years ago, who had been struck following a jury produced in the hands of James Kellar. The jury recommended that he be held for the grand jury for injury which is said to have caused the girl's death. Much evidence was taken.

This was the verdict given yesterday at the inquest in the case of Mae Halley, the pretty Mount Pleasant girl whose death mystified the police and coroner. The jury found that she was killed by a blow on the head which was inflicted by James Kellar, a 16-year-old boy. The jury recommended that he be held for the grand jury for injury which is said to have caused the girl's death.

Press it at the inquest was District Attorney W. J. Dugan. Assistant District Attorney A. C. Carr and a dozen or more witnesses. The inquest was conducted by Coroner H. A. McMurphy, who was assisted by his deputy, Dr. W. L. Felt. The inquest was held at the coroner's office.

Following along the line of examination, the jury would tend to show that Miss Halley had taken Paris green, a poison which is said to have caused her death. The jury found that she was killed by a blow on the head which was inflicted by James Kellar, a 16-year-old boy. The jury recommended that he be held for the grand jury for injury which is said to have caused the girl's death.

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## CHARLES HARTZ KILLED IN MINES AT CALIFORNIA

Run Over by Motor and Death Is  
Instantaneous—Wreck on  
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## MEET TO PLAN FOR COUNTY ROAD WORK

Supervisors' Executive Committee Met in Uniontown Saturday.

## GENERAL MEETING IN MARCH

Expected State Highway Commissioner Bigelow Will Be on Hand Then to Discuss Improvement of Highways—Active Interest in Fayette.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Fayette County Road Supervisors Association was held at Uniontown in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Saturday February 24 at 2 o'clock. This meeting was held for the purpose of arranging for a general meeting of the Supervisors Association and for a public Good Roads Conference similar to the one held in Uniontown about a year ago and which proved so interesting and valuable that a repetition has been awaited with a great deal of interest.

The proposed conference will probably be held about the 21st of March in order to take advantage of the trip which will be made at that time by Hon. E. M. Bigelow, Commissioner of the State Highway Department. Mr. Bigelow will address a similar conference at Washington, Pa., on the 19th and at Wheeling on the 20th. It is expected that he will be accompanied by other officials of the State Highway Department and that out of the interest and local speakers will contribute interesting addresses to the conference.

The Good Roads Convention which was held at Uniontown last year was attended by nearly all of the township supervisors in the county. Every township in the county was represented in the attendance and some of the supervisors from the more remote townships showed their interest by taking the trip at great personal inconvenience as it took some of them nearly twenty-four hours to get to Uniontown. Probably no other fact could be adduced to show the wide spread desire for better roads. The conditions both on the part of the general public and of the officials who are charged with the duty of improving the road funds.

The coming conference promises to be especially interesting to the citizens of Fayette county because of the great activity in road building which will characterize the present year 1912. The State Highway Department has already contracted for the improvement of a considerable portion of the National Pike and a half of whose length in Pennsylvania traverses this county. The State Department under the Sprout Act is also active in undertaking the improvement of several of the main roads throughout the county.

The Fayette County Commission for the first time in the history of the county have just laid a county road tax of one mill and will establish a County Highway Department under the direction of a competent engineer and the plans of that department are being worked with vigor and that a movement is also on foot to encourage a general experiment throughout the county with the split log drive on dirt and ash roads. All of these matters will furnish as much interest as material as can be desired in a one day convention and the program will probably fill the bill of the proposed officer to give it of its true presentation to the audience.

The members of the Executive Committee of the Fayette County Road Supervisors Association who will meet in Saturday are: H. A. Craft, President, Redstone township; John T. Gleason, Clark township; J. H. Stoner, Dunbar township; W. H. Hall, Washington township; D. W. Dumbauld, Sallick township; J. M. Porter, Sprung township; and George H. Reynolds, Mendenhall township.

## WEST SIDE DWELLING IS DESTROYED BY FLAMES

High Wind Jaws the Flames and Building is Total Loss When Firemen Arrive

Originating from an unknown cause the house owned by Joseph East on North Eleventh street West Side and occupied by a family of foreigners was almost burned to the ground Wednesday before an alarm was sent in. When the firemen arrived nothing but the front of the house was standing. The fire catching in the rear of the house was hurried in from the door on top of the hill. Practically nothing is saved.

The alarm was turned in at 7:40 A. M. from box 6. The firemen responded promptly but nothing could be done. The high wind carried sparks from the burning building in clouds of fire and there were no houses in the immediate vicinity. The house caught fire some time ago but was recently rebuilt by East.

## MISS BROWN SIGNS

Leaves Presbyterian Church to Join that of Dunes in Chicago

Miss Elizabeth Mae Brown has resigned as soloist in the First Presbyterian church choir to accept a similar position in the choir of the Cochrane Memorial church at Dawson. Her resignation was accepted by the church members. She has been a member of the First Presbyterian church choir for some time and her resignation was accepted with the best of regret.

Officers School in June Word has been received here that the officers school of the National Guard of Pennsylvania will be held this year at Mt. Gretna as heretofore. This year the school will be held in June. Last year it was held in May. Captain A. R. Aldrich, Lieutenant Herwick and Reid will attend from Conneltsville.

## LEAPED OVER RIVER BANK TO ESCAPE FROM VICTIM

Andy Radashovsky, Landed on Snow and Ice With 46 Pounds Belonging to Victim

Andy Radashovsky, after robbing his friend Andy Tominsky yesterday afternoon on Water street, did a flying leap or death in an effort to get away. Running down Water street at top speed he crossed the Baltimore and Ohio tracks and cleared the railing over the retaining wall. He landed in the snow and ice collected along the bank of the river and was unhurt.

The two Andy's came recently from West Virginia and were on their way to Philadelphia. Tominsky had bought his friend a ticket and was in the act of putting \$6 in his pocketbook when Radashovsky snatched it. He ran for the tracks and jumped over the rail in an effort to escape.

Tominsky went to the police station and found Officer Geger and Constable Rottler went to the retaining wall where the robbery took place. Radashovsky was sitting on a pile of ice. He was hauled out of the river.

A search was instituted at the police station. A dollar bill was first found. Later searching brought to light a five dollar bill tucked away in his shoe. Both men were locked up. Tominsky is charged with kidnapping and Radashovsky for larceny.

At the hearing before Squire Donegan this morning Tominsky decided to help costs of his on his friend's bond. The charge was withdrawn in that he paid the costs using the stolen money. Tominsky also paid \$2.50 into the borough treasury for being drunk. Together they left the police station. They will go to their work at Garrett.

## NEGRO DRIVER HURLED FROM SEAT WHEN CAR HIT CAB

Charles Davidson Hurt About the Head in Runaway Scramble

In a runaway which occurred Wednesday about 3 o'clock, a Pennsylvania State car driven by a colored driver, suffered an injury to his head as he was hurled from his seat when the car was struck by a taxicab.

The runaway was thrown from his seat and the car was hurled into the air. The driver was injured and the car was damaged.

Many Thefts are Laid to Joe Brodigan and Sam Gallo by the Police.

James Brodigan, Father of the One Who Contends Constable Mitchell Had No Right to Use "Hand Grease" and Wants Investigation

Supposed to be responsible for a robbery which occurred in the past three months, Joe Brodigan, father of the one who contends Constable Mitchell had no right to use "Hand Grease" and wants investigation.

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The young Brodigan's father says he has not seen his son for some time. He is not sure where he is.

The third charge is against Sam Gallo for having a knife on him. He was arrested and taken to the police station.

Along the places that the two boys were supposed to have robbed are D. M. Hoffman's, J. H. Moore's, and J. H. Moore's. The police are looking for them.

Wants Damages Wesley G. McGraw of California has entered suit against the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to recover \$1,000 for injuries sustained when he was killed by a train from the Baltimore & Ohio station in Uniontown.

John Smith Dead John Smith aged 70 years, president of Brown's died Tuesday night. He was buried in Washington, Pa. following an illness due to general debility. The body was taken to Brownsville for funeral services and interment.

Queen a Medico The Queen of Bulgaria has a medical degree.

## SEVERE STORM SWEEPS COKE REGION; TROLLEY TRAFFIC IS DELAYED AND TELEPHONE LINES ARE BLOWN DOWN

A severe windstorm at times at times in the coke region Wednesday and Thursday. A high wind raised continually and played havoc generally. The telephone and telegraph wires were severed badly.

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## MRS JACOB G. ANDERSON IS DEAD AT SCOTSDALE

With Exception of Two Years She Lived Her Life in the Mill Town

SCOTSDALE, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Jacob G. Anderson died at her home No. 604 Locust avenue last evening at 6 o'clock aged 69 years. Her death followed a long illness with cancer of the stomach. She was born in Scotland and lived in the mill town for many years. She was a member of the First Methodist church and was very active in its work.

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## HONOR WASHINGTON AT MASONS' BANQUET

Rev. David Flanagan of Pittsburgh is the Speaker of the Evening.

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